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me the opportunity to serve

as [interim] head coach the

last eight games of the sea-

they entrusted me with the

leadership of the Elba Tiger

football team and staff at a

time that could have left an

painful scar on our program,

but I feel like we pulled to-

many positives."

Elba, Alabama Thursday, November 28, 2019

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Application process underway for Elba head football coach

Interim head coach Glen Johnson says he plans to apply for the job

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba High School's inschool and his students.

could have been a disaster finish up 8-4 overall. for the Elba Tigers due to circumstances that led to the

resignation of former foot- school board member ball coach Pate Harrison thanking them for allowing mid-way through the seaterim head football coach son. However, school sys-Glen Johnson walked across tem turned to veteran Mack Wood Field last teacher and coach Johnson son," Johnson said. "It week, reflecting on what to take the helm as interim meant everything to me that was a whirlwind 2019 sea- head coach, and he led the son, and it was quite clear team through eight more this mild-mannered man games - six regular season was passionate about his matchups and two playoff games. The team went 5-3 The 2019 football season with Johnson at the helm to

"I've sent a letter to our

superintendent and each On Tuesday, Nov. 19, the job vacancy announcement Schools looking to fill the physical education, head football coach and athletic director position at Elba High School that was vacated by Harrison.

Coach Johnson said he wants his community to know that he wants to remove that interim title and to officially become the next head football coach at Elba High School. He said he would be applying for

"I want to continue to be Elba's head coach," Johnson said. "I want to lead this team, build this program back up to the legacy that precedes it, and instill the love of hard work, pride and dedication back into the hearts of these young athletes. I don't want to only chase championships, but I want to help build champions on and off the field."

Johnson said he realizes some people think his mild-

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Teacher of the Year awards presented at Elba BOE meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

through leading by example.

The Elba Board of Education met Thursday even- the administrators at both ing, Nov. 21, for the regular the elementary and high the highlight of the meeting nations together in time for was in honoring two teachers as Elba's "Teacher Year" for Elba to be eligible of the Year" award recip- to be considered in the

Superintendent Chris Moseley said he challenged monthly board meeting, and schools to get the nomithe two "Teachers of the



TIFFANY VARGAS (center) RECEIVED the Elba Elementary School "Teacher of the Year" award during the Nov. 21st Elba BOE meeting. The award was presented by EES principal Debra Strickland (left) and Elba Schools



ASHLEY CHAPPELL (center) RECEIVED the Elba High School "Teacher of the Year" award during the Nov. 21st Elba BOE meeting. The award was presented by EHS principal Wynn Grimes (left) and Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley (right).

Standing on Mack Wood Field late last week, Elba

interim head football Coach Glen Johnson said he will

apply for the job on a full time basis. He said it would be

a dream come true for him to not only help led the football

program but to also help lead champions on and off the

field by teacing his student athletets to trust God and live

the right way. The Elba alumnus said he desires to do that

"Teacher of the Year" nominations at a district and state level as well. He said he was proud of all involved for taking that challenge to heart and getting these awards together in plenty of time for that.

The "Teacher of the Year" awards for 2019-2020 at Elba were selected by the teachers' co-workers as well as a teacher of the year committee comprised of students. parents, administrators, teachers and counselors.

During Thursday night's meeting, superintendent Moseley announced that Tiffany Vargas has been selected as the "Teacher of the Year" for Elba Elementary

Vargas has 17 years invested in education, and 12 of those years have been with Elba City Schools. She currently teaches fifth and sixth grade at EES.

School.

Moseley announced that Elba alum Ashley Chappell "Teacher of the Year" for Elba High School.

Chappell is in her second year teaching at Elba High School currently, and she teaches 11th-12th grade secondary math.

Moseley said the two teachers now would have additional information to brary. submit in January at the district level as Elba's nominees for Teacher of the Year. From there, the "Teacher of the Year" considerations go to the state level.

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gether and turned that into COFFEE COUNTY FARM OF DISTINCTION...Boyd Farm, located in Coffee County near New Brockton recently was named the Coffee County Farm-City's 2019 Farm of Distinction. Above, Lee and Harriette Boyd (left) are pictured with Coffee County Farm-City committee chair Cindy Kinney as the press conference naming award winners went public with Elba City held in early November. The award officially was presented last Thursday night.

Boyd Farm named Coffee County Farm of Distinction

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Distinction means excellence that sets something or someone apart from others, and that is the word used to describe Boyd Farm of Coffee County [New Brockton] this year as the Coffee vided wood to help rebuild County Farm-City Farm of Chicago after the "Great Distinction.

The Boyd family has lived on this farm since 1900, and it currently is operated by Lee Boyd.

"It is a great honor and very humbling to receive this award," Boyd said. "We are certainly very apprecia-

Today's Boyd Farm was built on a solid lumber tradition in Richburg, which has become known as the 'lost town' of Coffee County, Boyd said. Richburg was a lumber town that was developed in 1898 when a new railroad attracted Leon Augustus Boyd Sr to the area.

Boyd said in those days, Coffee County was rich in virgin pine, and his Boyd Sr. moved his lumber company to Richburg from Iron City,

rated in 1902 and prospered as the Farm of Distinction for more than a decade. For this year," Boyd said. "To 10 years, the company, Boyd-Henderson Lumber county peers in this manner Company, produced pine flooring and sold lumber for

Fire of 1871". Boyd Farm now is at six generations of L.A. Boyd' raising cattle on the land that began as a timber business about 120 years ago. Lee Boyd raises Simmental, Sim Angus, and Angus cat-

a dollar a load and even pro-

tle on the land of Boyd

Richburg was incorpo- up to the honor given to us be distinguished from your is definitely an honor."

Lee Boyd and his wife, Harriette, officially accepted the Coffee County Farm of Distinction Award during the annual Coffee County Farm-City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton, Ala. Several other award also were presented as the county celebrated the relationship between farming and the business industry in "I can only hope we live the county (see Page 7).

Area Happenings

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, Nov. 28, and Friday, Nov. 29th. There will be standby crews for any emergency with electric, water, street, or sewer. To report a utility emergency after hours and on holidays, call the Elba Police Department at (334) 897-2555. The garbage truck will run its normal schedule during the Thanksgiving holiday.

THE ELBA CHRISTMAS PARADE AND TREE **LIGHTING** will be Monday night, Dec. 2, beginning at 6 p.m. in downtown Elba.



Elba Public Library circulaton clerk happily reacts to a giant card presented to her during last Thursday's retirement reception. The cart, with handprints from each child, was made by the young students in the Elba Head Start program. These are only a few of the many young lives Tillis has touched while working at the Elba Public Library had been selected as the and leading programs such as the Thursday afternoon children's story time and more.

Tillis honored with retirement reception at Elba Library

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The renewed vibrance of the Elba Public Library started July 7, 2014 with the addition of Barbara Tillis as circulation clerk for the li-

Tillis has been a dedicated employee of the library and City of Elba since joining the staff, always serving her patrons at the library with a smile. She has the right book to take home go, but they agreed she had

and enjoy, and she has led a been nothing but an asset to gram that has become a fa- her employment. vorite of many local youngsters. And, she has done so much more.

Last Thursday afternoon, Nov. 21, Tillis was the guest of honor as she was celebrated during retirement ceremony at the library. Both Mayor Mickey Murdock and library director Jennifer Amlong said they helped avid readers find just are saddened to see Tillis

children's story time pro- the library and city during

Tillis thanked all, including the city and library board, for allowing her to serve at the library, and she assured everyone that while she is retiring, she will not become a stranger to the Elba Public Library.

Tillis' official last day of employment will be Tuesday, Dec. 3rd. Mayor Mur-

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"I am grateful for what I am and have. My thanksgiving is perpetual." — Henry David Thoreau

Ponder the following before endorsing any politician's national health care plan which includes "Like the Canadians do it." If you're Canadian, you can spend 20 weeks waiting for routine surgery. Last year, patients north of the border waited a median of 19.8 weeks to secure treatment from a specialist after getting a referral from a general practitioner. In 2018, there were over a million patients languishing on wait lists in Canada's government-run health care system. Private insurance coverage is outlawed for anything considered "medically necessary." Only the government has the authority to pay for such procedures. It is against the law for them to try using private pay or private health insurance. If patients don't want to wait their turn, they're welcome to seek care outside the country — on their own dime. Last think before they drink this year, the median wait for orthopedic surgery in Canada was extended holiday and a staggering 39 weeks.

Don't understand how the above is possible well ask mix - ever," he said. around from folks who use the US Veterans Administration's health care system. There are some positive results but mostly it is nightmare stories.

The shocking news that the Lowndes County, AL sheriff had been killed last weekend brought back a flood of 'not-sogood' memories of the same thing happening right here in Coffee County all those years ago when Sheriff Neil Grantham was gunned down in front of the jail early on a Thursday morning. The man convicted of Neil's death is in a state prison. He was convicted and sentenced to death but after years and years of court proceedings the death penalty was thrown out and he is serving prison time and living at the taxpayers' expense. We expect the same fate awaits the 18year-old man charged with gunning down much-respected Sheriff John "Big John" Williams.

We read this past weekend that Thanksgiving weekend is one of the worst times to be on the highways of Alabama. Alabama's record for traffic accidents is bad and compared to the other 49 states, the home state record is horrible. Our pleas will not change the world but with our readers being keenly aware of the increased dangers, maybe we can prevent a few wrecks from happening - this week and all other

The high school football season is over for the teams closely covered by The Elba Clipper. The playoffs were not kind to 'our folks' this year and with a full slate of first round teams being local it is a bit surprising that not a single one of them will advance to the next level. But . . . there has to be a winner and a loser in each of these playoff games, as it should be. It is on to basketball and soccer or maybe uals for DUI. During the even some math and English!

The price of turkeys is down this year, just in time for that classic favorite of carving the Thanksgiving turkey. We have traffic crashes, 36 of which not investigated the impact of this great savings event but suspect the few pennies saved on the turkey are quickly absorbed by the trimmings, the cranberry sauce, the bread or two of which involved alcomaybe even the desserts. One thing we can almost guarantee is that the prices will not hinder the majority of Americans from eating too much at lunch on Thursday and/or the afternoon 'grazing' of the leftovers.





Thanksgiving Day (Closed)

Friday 7 am-8 pm

Saturday 9 am-7 pm

Open

Sunday

1-5 pm

EDITORIAL

ALEA encourages safe traveling during Thanksgiving holiday

Intoxication and driving uals for DUI. under the influence are giving weekend, making the long holiday one of the deadliest on roadways, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

The Alabama Law En-Agency's (ALEA) Secretary Hal Taylor said the agency's mission is to reverse the trend.

"We urge motorists to throughout the season. Drinking and driving do not

Between 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, and midnight Sunday, Dec. 1, ALEA will boost its Trooper presence on roadways and work to prevent traffic crashes, injuries and fatalities with grant funding from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community (ADECA) and the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT). During that time, ALEA and its law enforcement partners across the state will conduct DUI checkpoints and other enforcement activities designed to curb crashes involving alcohol.

Alcohol was a contributing factor in an average of 9.9 percent of all Trooperinvestigated traffic crashes from five-day Thanksgiving travel periods from 2014 to 2018. For those same periods, Troopers arrested an average of 38.6 individ-2018 Thanksgiving travel period, for example, Troopers investigated 482 involved alcohol; investigated seven traffic fatalities, hol; and arrested 35 individ-

In addition, ALEA also of Sept. 1, 2019, state law traffic to be heavier than prevalent during Thanks- reminds the motoring public requires occupants of all

> · Obey the law: Do not speed, follow too closely or make illegal lane changes. These are among top deadly driving behaviors.

• Buckle up: No matter how short the trip, make sure everyone in the vehicle

ages to use a seat belt or child-restraint system.)

• Put away the phone and other distractions: Make safety a priority. When behind the wheel, do not text or do anything but focus on the task of driving.

· Prepare for conges-



FIRST RESPONDERS WILL BE HONORED with a free lunch Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the offices of Lake Realty. Joint sponsors are Southeast Insurance & Real Estate, and Wiregrass Board of Realtors. The announcement of the free lunch noted: "Thanks for being the first on the scene and the last to leave, you put our lives first. This is just a small way to say 'Thank You' for what you do!"

Lake Realty is located at 482 Claxton Avenue, Elba. Pictured above are Wiregrass Board of Realtors President Travis Parker and Lake Realtor Owner Kaye Ellis.

is properly restrained. (As tion: It is not uncommon for usual during the Thanksgiving holiday travel period. Allow additional time for congestion along your route to and from your holiday

destination. • Use caution in construction zones: ALDOT will have no temporary lane closures for road work on interstates from Wednesday, Nov. 27, to midnight Sunday, Dec. 1. Still, be extra cautious when traveling through these areas, and obey posted speed limits.

• Enjoy the holiday: Do, however, think before you drink, and drive safely to #ArriveAliveAlabama.

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 28, and Friday, Nov. 29, for Thanksgiving!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Depart- of Nov. 15th - Nov. 24th. ment, between Friday, Nov. 15, and Sunday, Nov. 24, made the following arrests: one for possession of drugs, one for violation of probation, one for warrants, and one for driving under the in-

There were 15 traffic citations and 24 traffic warnings [verbal and written] issued by Elba Police officers during the timeframe

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FRIDAY, NOV. 15 - Officers responded to a ve-

was transported to the Diversion Center in Dothan Claxton Ave (7:39 p.m.).

Officers met with a com- Hickman Ave (8:04 p.m.). plainant in the area of THURSDAY, NOV. 21to theft (11:54 a.m.).

turbance call on Williams Ave (12:15 a.m.); Officers (10:16 p.m.).

MONDAY, NOV. 18 -Officers responded to a two-vehicle accident in area of Old Samson Rd - one subject was arrested on a

@ (334) 897-2333

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DUI charge (6:11 p.m.).

TUESDAY, NOV. 19 -Officers responded with hicle accident (vehicle Haynes Ambulance on a struck a horse) on Hwy. 84 medical call in area of Bu-(5:57 a.m.); Officers reford St (2:50 a.m.); Officers sponded to Elba High responded with Haynes School in reference to a dis- Ambulance on a medical ruptive student - student call in area of Edgewood Dr (7:42 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, NOV. (8:56 a.m.); Officers ar- 20 - Officers responded to rested a subject at the Rivi- a call of a possible assault era Motel for possession of on Martin Luther King Dr harmful drugs (5:28 p.m.); (9:35 a.m.); An officer as-Elba Police and Fire re- sisted on a brush fire call on sponded to a vehicle fire on Hwy 84 (11:07 a.m.); Officers responded to a report SATURDAY, NOV. 16 - of a possible prowler on

Officers responded to area of Hwy 203 and Taylor Mill SUNDAY, NOV. 17 - Rd in reference to a two-ve-Officer responded to a dis- hicle wreck - Elba Fire assisted in removing one subject from a vehicle and responded to an attempted Taylor Mill Rd was tempoassault on Powell Circle rarily shut down while this (4:36 p.m.); Officers at- accident scene was cleared tempted to locate what (6:17 a.m.); Officers resounded like possible gun- sponded to a hit and run at shots near Claxton Ave Burger King (8:08 a.m.); Officers responded to area of County Rd 239 and County Rd 249 in reference to a subject spotlighting aircraft (10:03 p.m.); Officers responded to a report of a possible prowler in the area of Hwy 189 N (10:36 p.m.).

FRIDAY, NOV. 22 - Officers responded to area of Winston Ave in reference to gun shots (6:18 p.m.).

SATURAY, NOV. 23 -Officers responded to a two-vehicle wreck in the area of Claxton Ave and Hwy 203 (9:21 a.m.); Officers met with a complainant in the area of County Rd 409 in reference to a possible breaking and entering - determined to be a false alarm (11:38 a.m.); Officers responded to Simmons St in reference to loud subjects in the roadway (11:07 p.m.).

SUNDAY, NOV. 24 -Officers met with a complainant in area of Claxton Ave in reference to theft (2:36 p.m.); Officers met with a complainant in area of Roosevelt Dr in reference to theft (3:20 p.m.); Officers responded with Haynes Ambulance on a medical call in area of Taylor Mill Rd. (8:21 p.m.).

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Kaiden Pope, Prattville,

Ala., Caleb Pope, Levi

Pope, and Reid Pope, all of

JACQULINE FAYE

Mrs. Jacquline Faye

Richardson, age 76, a res-

ident of Elba, Ala., died

21,

at

held Nov. 24, 2019 from the

Chapel of Hayes Funeral

Home in Elba with Rev.

Shirley Hatcher and Rev.

Kevin Bond officiating. Bu-

rial followed in Evergreen

Cemetery with Hayes Fu-

Mrs. Richardson, along

with her husband Monroe,

owned and operated Faye's

company in Elba for many

years. She enjoyed her cus-

remedies to solve problems

concerning their plant

She was preceded in

Survivors include her

ter-in-law: Melissa McKee,

New Brockton, Ala.;

Brockton; her

brother: James (Danette)

Hattaway, Elba; sister: Bar-

bara Ivey, Clio, Ala.; along

New

death by her husband, Mon-

neral Home directing.

RICHARDSON

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Health in Do-

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services were

than, Ala.

2019,

CHARLES EVERETTE

KELLEY Mr. Charles "Everette" Kelley, age 90, of Elba,

Ala., passed on Wednesday, 20, Nov. 2019, to be with the Lord. He was with his family at home.

Mr. Everette was born

October 13, 1929. He was preceded in death by his parents Odie Lester Kelley and Rena Mickler Kelley, older brother Robert Hollis Kelley, and younger brother Dwight Wendel Kelley.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 22, 2019, at Westside Baptist Church. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba remembered under the direction of lieu of flowers, the family nature, "bigger than life" memory of Mr. Kelley.

wife of 67 years: Irene Shiver Kelley; sons and and Jana Kelley, and Scott pair in Enterprise. and Lynn Kelley; grandchildren: Wesley (Meghan) Kelley, Todd Kelley, Jaron (Gillian) Kelley, Connor (Russ) Kilcrease, Nicole Cook, and Dylan Cook; great-grandchildren: Myles and Parker Kelley (Wesley and Meghan).

HERBERT GEORGE WINTERS

Mr. Herbert George Winters, age 84, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019, at

his daughters' home in Wetumpka, Ala. Funeral services were

held Saturday 2019, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in services followed in the

ceded in death by his father, Pyfrom. both of Elba. Lewis Henry Winters, mother, Blanche Margarette DAWN IRENE POPE Winters, brother, Lewis Winters, and sister, Orthella

"Sis" Marshall. Survivors include his wife: Bobbie Jean Winters, idence. Elba; daughter: Sandy (Bert) Tew, Wetumpka; Randy Herbert sons: (Penny) Winters, Elba, and Chris (Dana) Winters, Victoria, Ala.; sisters: Jeanie Lacost and Carol Finch, both of Carp Lake, Mich.; brother: Robert "Bob" (Linda) Winters, also of Carp Lake; grandsons: Michael Kelley, Ryan Kelley, ruary 11, 1975, in Panama T J Winters. Chanse to the late Michael Duffy Winters, Justin Winters, and and Lilian Duffy. In ad-Mathew Winters; grand- dition to her parents, she daughters: Tiffany Cox, was also preceded in death Shannon Winters, and Rae by her brother, Michael Winters; and 11 great- Duffy. grandchildren.

TONY WESLEY BOWERS

Mr. Tony Wesley Bowers, age 81, a resident of Enterprise, Ala., died Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019, at Southeast

Health in Dothan, Ala. Funeral

services were held Monday, Nov. 25, 2019 at the First

Baptist Church of Elba with Rev. Mark Bowers officiating. Burial followed in the Damascus Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to a charity of choice.

Survivors include his wife: Ann Bowers, Enterprise; daughters: Wendy Bowers, New Brockton, Ala., Amy (Danny) Creel, Enterprise; son: Mark (Becky) Bowers, Thomaston, Ga.; sisters: Faye McWaters, Lakeland, Fla., and Linda (Glen) Howell, husband: Kevin Douglas Tampa, Fla.; a brother: Pope, Elba; three sons: Pey-Larry Bowers, Perry, Ga.; ton Stokes, Colton Stokes, granddaughters: Bethany- and Austin Filiault, all of Grace Bowers, and Hannah Zion Chapel; four stepsons: Ruth Bowers, both of Statesboro, Ga.; grandson: Wesley Melton Creel, Enterprise; four step grand- Elba; sister-in-law: Shanchildren: Aaron Creel non Stephens, Elba; along Spurlin, Brooks Creel, Col- with several friends and ton Creel, and Delsea Creel, family. all of Wetumpka, Ala.

PAUL ISAAC PYFROM

Mr. Paul Isaac Pyfrom, age 49, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019, at

Baptist Hospital South in Montgomery, Ala.

Paul will be by his family

Hayes Funeral Home. In and friends for his caring requested memorial gifts be smile, and ability to overmade to the Westside Bap- come any obstacle when tist Church capital fund in presented. He enjoyed bowling with his buddies, Survivors include his and he made many friends throughout the years while working part-time "Superdaughters-in-law: Eddie vising" at Coffee Auto Re-

Funeral services were Nursery and landscaping held Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019, from Wooten Chapel Assembly of God with Rev. tomers and quickly became (Faith) Kelley, Madelyn Mike Medley officiating. A a resource for advice from private burial followed in novice gardeners and homethe Woodland Grove Bap- owners, on techniques and tist Church Cemetery. Those wishing to make memorial gifts are asked by the family to do so to: Wooten Chapel Assembly of God, c/o P.O. Box 608, New roe Richardson, by a son, Brockton, Alabama 36351, Mike McKee, grandson, or to the Coffee, Dale, Johnathon Richardson, and Geneva Special Olympics, her parents, Louise and c/o 218 Lakewood Drive, O'Neal Hattaway. Enterprise, Alabama.

Paul was preceded in son: Tommy Richardson, death by his father, John Elba; daughter: Brenda Philip Elisha Pyfrom, and (Rod) Rider, Elba; daughby a brother, John Pyfrom.

Survivors include his mother: Margaret Ruth Py- grandsons: Rev. Greg (Jesfrom, Elba; sisters: Marga-sica) Adkins, New Brockret (Tony) Caterisano, ton, Todd (Sara) McKee, Elba with Rev. Lloyd Snell- Greenville, SC, Becky Headland, Ala., Brad Atgrove officiating. Burial (James) Brown, New kins, Elba, Cory McKee, Brockton, Ala., Gayle Atlanta, Ga., DJ McKee, Zoar Community Cemetery (Peter Van Dyck) Pyfrom, Elba, Roderick (Ashley) with Hayes Funeral Home Philadelphia, Pa., Dee Dee Rider Jr. Samson, Ala., and (David) Murray, Elba; and Billy (Silenia) Richardson, Mr. Winters was pre- brothers: Philip and David

Mrs. Dawn Irene Pope, with 13 great-grandchilage 44, of Elba, Ala., died dren and two great great-Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019, at her res-

services were held Nov. 22, 2019 at Skeen Funeral Home

Chapel Troy, Ala., with Dr. John Brannon officiating and Skeen Funeral Home of Troy directing.

Mrs. Pope was born Feb-

Survivors include her

MINNIE HESTER **JOHNSON**

Mrs. Minnie Hester Johnson, age 97, a resident of Glenwood, Ala., died Sunday, November 24,

2019, at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home.

Troy University's Rosa Parks Museum

Day on Monday, Dec. 2. time for children.

inaugural commemoration was held last year after the Alabama Legislature unanimously approved a bill, introduced by Rep. Laura Hall and Sen. Vivian Figures, declaring Dec. 1 as Rosa Parks Day in the state. The bill's passage made Alabama one of four states to designate holidays in honor of Parks, and marked the first holiday in Alabama to honor a

Museum will offer complimentary admission to visitors on Monday, Dec. 2, and features live percussion and musical performances by Duron Hale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., visitors will be able to decorate a holiday ornament in the museum's Charles Cahn Baum Atrium. Children's story time, featuring various children's books, will be held in the museum's auditorium from 10 a.m to 3 p.m. In addition, the 1950s-era Montgomery city bus will be on display

On Sunday, Dec. 1, a statue honoring Rosa Parks and new historic markers commemorating the landmark case. Browder v. Gayle, will be unveiled on Montgomery Plaza at the Court Street fountain at 1 p.m.

in front of the museum

plans Rosa Parks Day commemoration

Troy University's Rosa Parks Museum will commemorate Rosa Parks with free admission, musical performances, arts and crafts and story

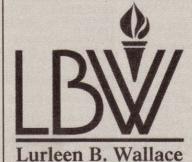
The Rosa Parks

from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Also during last Thurs- would not meet again until day's meeting, the board January. However, he said voted to approve the Oc- all that would be pending tober financial statement as for now. presented by the school's

chief financial officer and to

pay the bills for the month. The superintendent told board members that unless a need arises, the December meeting would most likely

be cancelled and the board Monday, Dec. 2nd No residential garbage pickup

County Environmental Services

on Thanksgiving Day for Coffee

During the Coffee County Commission meeting held Monday, Nov. 25, environ-Mike Thornton noted that residential garbage would not be picked up on Thursday, Nov. 28 (today), due to Thanksgiving.

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Thornton said the Thursday, Nov. 28, normal the community room of the pickups would shift to Friday, Nov. 29, for pickup.

Also, Thornton went ahead and announced that during the week of Christmas in December the normal Wednesday route will shift to Thursday, and the Thursday route will shift to Friday with no pickups on Christmas Day.

Thanksgiving

(Continued from Page 1)

Elba City Schools have

been closed this week as the

students, teachers, admin-

istrators and all other em-

ployees are enjoying the

break. School will resume

Also during the meeting Monday, county extension coordinator Gavin Mauldin said the county extension mental services director office would be closed Wednesday - Friday of this week in observance of Thanksgiving.

The Coffee County Commission will next meet Monday, Dec. 9, at 9 a.m. in county complex in New Brockton.



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'Tis the Season for Difficult Conversations

Nobody likes dwelling on mortality, and conversations about death tend to be "downers"- not least during the otherwise-joyful holiday season. Yet talking candidly with your family members about end-of-life issues is imperative. For many families, the holiday season is the best time to do it, imply because the whole family is actually together.

Consider: Should your parents pass away unexpectedly, do you know neir wishes for a funeral or memorial service? Do you have a clear undertanding of their desires for their estate? And should something unthinkable appen to you, will you be leaving your own kids with a clear plan—or simply

For many families, end-of-life preparations go neglected and ignoredout simply having a conversation can be clarifying and even encouraging Over this holiday season, we encourage you to have "The Talk" with your amily members. That doesn't necessarily mean hammering out all the issues on the spot, but it does mean getting the conversation going—encouraging everyone to think sensitively yet strategically about end-of-life issues. Included here is an insert that might be helpful to you—some quick tips and guidelines for starting this conversation, and for keeping it positive and productive. Some brief bullet points to consider:

 When having The Talk, it's vital to pick a good time and a comfortable place;
 Ask questions about your parents or aging family members. Learn their story. Get them talking about what matters most to them;
 Remember to keep it collaborative and conversational. Your loved ones may have diferent beliefs than yours. • Offer help to your aging family members—help in planning, organizing, cleaning their home, sorting through their things, or whatever they need; • Get everyone involved—including siblings and other family members, as appropriate; • Be patient. People may need some time before they're ready to start talking seriously about end-of-life details. Re-

nember that your aim is to start the conversation Don't delay in having The Talk, and don't put it off just because of the holidays. In truth, this may be the ideal time to engage your loved ones in a conversation. If you still have questions email me for any assistance.

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CHURCH NEWS

Pastor's Corner

BY DWIGHT JOHNSON, PASTOR **ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

It's Thanksgiving week! This week's Pastor's Corner will be simple, yet profound, because of the simplicity, beauty, and power of God's word, which we will look at together. Some Thanksgiving verses:

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to the Most High." (Psalm 92:1)

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever." (Psalm 118:1)

"And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)

"Devote yourselves to prayer with an alert mind and a thankful heart." (Colossians 4:2)

"Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18) "Since we are receiving a Kingdom that is unshakable,

let us be thankful and please God by worshiping him with holy fear and awe." (Hebrews 12:28) We could go on, as there are many other wonderful verses

of scripture that speak of thankfulness. One common thread that runs throughout them all is that they apply thankfulness to intangibles, not tangible things.

In other words, if we do not have a certain car or boat, live in a particular house, etc, that's okay as far as thankfulness goes. Thankfulness has little to do with things or possessions, but everything to do with our realization of the goodness and grace of God.

The Elba Ministerial Alliance will host an **American Red Cross Blood Drive** Thursday, Dec. 5, from 11:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ, 715 N Troy Highway

Church News is due before noon Monday, Nov. 25th!

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Wreaths Across America event set for Dec. 14th at Bethlehem Baptist Church

Bethlehem Baptist Edmond Church, 518 County Rd Rucker Chapter 2534, and 421, Elba, will be holding other members. its 2nd Wreaths Across America and Alabama call Odom at 897-6298. 200th Birthday on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 11 a.m.

Cathy Odom, patriotic ac- Dec. 2nd. tivities leader for the Gen.

Winchester

For more information,

Anyone wishing to purchase a wreath for a family The service will begin member can mail their \$15 with a prayer, and the check to: Bethlehem wreaths then will be placed Church, c/o Cathy Odom, on the gravesite of each 668 County Rd. 439, Elba, military person recognized. AL 36323. The checks Hosting the event with need to be received [with Bethlehem Baptist Church the name information of are Bethne Cowen and the military serviceman] by

All are welcome.

CCBA planning Dec. 9th Christmas Party for Never Alone Widow's Ministry

A Christmas Party, hosted by the Coffee County Baptist Association's Never Alone Widow's Ministry Committee, will be held Monday, Dec. 9, at 6:30 p.m., at the Coffee Baptist Association Office, located New Brockton, Ala.

tion is issued to those inter- memory) Dirty Santa.

at 603 E. McKinnon Street, RSVP or for more infor- Nyeshia Johnson 12/6 mation

County Line Baptist Church to host "A Night in Bethlehem" live event

Church, located at 1000 ing. Hwy. 92, east of Enterprise, invites all to spend "A Night In Bethlehem" on Saturday Dec. 7th. The events begins at 5 p.m.

news and discuss among yourselves. But be aware of the Roman soldier on horseback. All will wind up at the live nativity and experience the powerful emotions that reflects the night the Savior was born.

The experience will conclude with a time of fellowAs usual, an open invita-

County Line Baptist ship and Christmas carol-

Tour the shops, hear the

joining the party goers are memory) urged to bring finger foods Derrick Brooks 12/4 to share and a \$5 gift to play Calvin Carpenter 12/5 Call 334-894-6411 to (in memory)

Clara Wright 12/10 Stephen Bennett 12/10

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Scripture: A plea for justice. Psalm 82: 1-8

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Beatrice Belcher, Emily Newman. Kashonda McGill, Tarell Kelley, Georgia Nelson, Julia Glasco, welcome. Katie Hamilton, Alice Musgrove, Donella Stickney

December Birthdays / Anniversaries

Estella Lawrence 12/1 Kira Belcher 12/1 Roderick Williams 12/2 (in

ested in attending. Those Elijah Yelverton 12/3 (in

Anita A. Funderburk 12/5 Gladys Yelverton 12/8 Omega Knight 12/8 Vernetter Purvis 12/10

** Living Waters Christian Church, Opp, Ala., invites all to the 2nd Pastor's

Founder/Pastor/Bishop Kelvin Burks on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 6 p.m. for a night of music; and Sunday, Dec. 8, at 2:30 p.m. for the appreci-Pastor Julian Mitchell, Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Eria's Daughter, Sue

Church of Elba.

** A Benefit Program for Pastor Dr. Willie J. Curry will be held Saturday, Dec. 7, at Moriah Baptist Church in Andalusia, Ala., at 6 p.m. All soloists and choirs are

Question / Answer Seciton Q/A for the Week of 11/28/19

Q: Why should you not make friends with those given to anger or associate with hotheads?

A: Because you may learn their ways and entangle yourself in a snare. [read Proverbs 22: 241

Saying That Makes Sense If you wonder who your friends are, check to see who hangs around when you're going through tough

Questions for the Week of

Q: Who is like a city broken into, left without walls? Q: How do fools respond to

Q: How do the prudent respond to an insult?

an insult?

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

ation service with speaker Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Elba United Methodist Church announces December services

Elba First services planned for all December Christmas

season. in the Church sanctuary.

United December 8th at 10 a.m. -Methodist Church pastor Christmas Musical - Peace Steve Reneau has released December 15th at 10 a.m.the schedule of special Who are Mary and Joseph?

Christians during the December 22nd at 10a.m. -Who is Jesus Christ? - Love December 22nd at 5 p.m. -The messages stress The Longest Night - If you Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. find this season difficult. All these events take place then join us for this worship experience

December 1st at 10 a.m. - December 24th at 5 p.m. -Hanging of the Greens - Christmas Eve Candlelight

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIGHT OF MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Morn. Worship. . . .11:00 a.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Wed. Night Service .7:00 p.m.

CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. ven. Worship Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m. BETHANY BAPTIST Greg Cotter, Pastor

Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even Worship 6:30 p.m. BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Tom Senn, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m. BROOKLYN BAPT CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. CHESTNUT GROVE METH-

ODIST Rev. Remonia Smith Church Service 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays .. 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

unday School . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Night. 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY Diana White, Pastor Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Fellowship 9:45 a.m. Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal

and Children's Activities) DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Dale Morgan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. ALBERTON BAPTIST Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship 6:00 p.m Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

> Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Phillip Box, Minister Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 6:00 p.m. Thur. Night 7:00 p.m. ELBA DELIVERANCE

TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.6:00 p.m. Even. Service . Wed. Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Tom Anderson, Interim Pastor Sunday School . Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.5:00 p.m. Even. Service . Wed. Service 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHOD-IST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. .. 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

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EVANGELIST CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor 1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -KINSTON

> Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m. FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Scott Donaldson, Pastor unday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. **GODS POWER HOUSE** EVANGELISTIC CHURCH. Overseers - Bro Billy Berry Sat. Service 6:00 p.m Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 4:00 p.m

GREATER NEW ZION Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship11:00 a.m. HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC

W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service 6:00 p.m. HAM UNITED METHOD-IST CHURCH

> HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirlie Ellis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLE INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting . . 6:30 p.m. INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn, Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service . . 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH Ben Posey, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Youth Service . . 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service 6:00 p.m. LIBERTY CHURCH OF Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

1st & 3rd Sundays MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 5:00 p.m. MT. OLIVE BAPT, CHURCH

Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Olan Strickland, Pastor Morn. Worship 8:45 a.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Kevin Byrd, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Linda Williams, Pastor Sunday 11:00 a.m. Wed. Even. 7:30 p.m. NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH

ENTERPRISE W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train . . 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.

ODIST Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST

Bible Study . Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:00 p.m. CHURCH LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor

> NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
>
> Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
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> Even. Worship . . 6:00 p.m.
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> Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Lee Jones, Pastor Morn. Worship11:00 a.m.

PINEY GROVE AS-SEMBLY OF GOD - SAM-SON Terry McCrummen, Pastor

PRAISE & GLORY NEW BROCKTON METH-Roy L. Turner, Pastor

CHURCH Terry Godwin, Pastor A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST

OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even Worship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m. **NEW PHILADELPHIA**

OAK GROVE BAPT. CHURCH Julian Mitchell, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship 6:00 p.m Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

Sunday School9:45 Morn. Worship.11:00 Eveniing Worship.....

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service 6:30 p.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B.

2nd & 4th Sundays ROETON BAPTIST Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME James Boots, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. SHILOH BAPTIST

Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m. THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

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Youth Ser. Mon. .. 7:00 p.m. Wed Bible Class. . . 7:00 p.m.

Fri Missionary Ser. . 7:00 p.m. CHURCH, Elba Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class. . . 7:00 p.m.

Even. Service .

Wed. Night Service . 6:00 p.m VANDERBILT HOLINESS Donald Mills, Pastor

Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m. CHURCH Shayne Allen, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship 7:00 p.m. VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.

Even. Service Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m. WESTSIDE BAPTIST Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. WHITEWATER BAPTIST

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service . . 6:00 p.m WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Donnie Marier, Pastor

ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH John Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Service . . .

BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m. WOOTEN CHAPEL AS-Mike Medley, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship . . . 12:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

LIFESTYLES

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Seniors citizens invited to Dec. 12th Christmas

Party at the Pine Level Senior Senior Center

Dec. 12, at the center.

welcome

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The Pine Level Senior

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[in the Pine Level Com-

munity]. Debbie Pearce is

For more information, call

the center's director.



IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE AGRICULTURAL LITERACY, the Alabama Farmers Agriculture Foundation, Alabama Ag in the Classroom, and the Coffee County Farmer's Federation are sharing the book and educator's guide "Right this Very Minute" by Lisl Detlefsen and illustrated by Renee Kurilla. All elementary schools and public libraries in Coffee County will be presented with this accurate ag book. The hope is that it will encourage learning about agriculture while also educating young people about where their daily food and fiber comes from. Shown above, Kathy Bozeman (left) of the Coffee County Farmer's Federation women's committee, presents a copy of the book to Debbie Rhoades (right), Elba Elementary School librarian.

Elba Ministerial Alliance to host Red Cross blood drive on Dec. 5th

The American Red Cross urges eligible donors to be the eligibility that includes blood pressure, pulse and lifeline for patients in need this holiday season by making hemoglobin readings. an appointment to give blood.

those who come out to give Nov. 18-Dec. 18 will also Christ, 715 N Troy Highway. This is sponsored by the receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email.

Also, donors will get important health information by receiving a mini-health screening to help determine critical need for type O blood donors.

ATTENTION

ELBA CITIZENS

IMPORTANT

NOTICE:

Surveyors from

Watson

Consulting

will be in the

There will be a Red Cross blood drive Thursday, Dec. 5, While helping to save lives is likely motivation enough, from 11:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Elba Church of

Elba Ministerial Alliance.

Donations of all blood types are needed, but there is a for the Annual Christmas to enter the parade contact

Caitlyn Nolin of New Brockton crowned Miss ESCC

Cailtyn Nolin, of New Brockton, will serve Enterprise State Community College as its 2019-20 Miss ESCC.

Nolin was chosen to wear the crown out of six contestants during the Miss ESCC pageant held Thursday, Nov. 21. She was crowned by the 2018-19 Miss ESCC Bethany Macon.

Nolin is the daughter of Keith and Cathy Nolin. She is a freshman agriscience education major at ESCC and plans to transfer to Auburn University to receive her Bachelor's degree in agriscience education and a Master's degree in administration. Her goal is to teach agriscience in the Enterprise area before taking a leadership role later in her

As Miss ESCC, Nolin will represent the College's values and programs on our campus and throughout our local communities. She is awarded a \$2,000 scholarship as a result of her new



Freshman Agriscience Education major Caitlyn Nolin, of New Brockton, was crowned as the 2019-20 Miss ESCC on Nov. 21.

Out of the remaining five eant were Caitlin Cedarparticipants in the Miss ESCC pageant, interpreter training major Presley Hall, of Geneva, was named first runner-up, and early childhood education major Taylor Jordan, of Valdosta, Ga., was named second runnerup. Marketing major Bray- of Jack; and Cailtyn Nolin, ton Martin, of Jack, was of New Brockton. named the photogenic

2019-20 Miss ESCC pag- 334-347-2623 ext. 2320.

staff-Aaron, of Enterprise; Sierra Crawford, of Geneva; Presley Hall, of Geneva; Taylor Jordan, of Valdosta; Alyssa Kyles, of Elba; Aiyanna Lee, of Enterprise; Nia Lofton, of Daleville; Brayton Martin,

To invite Miss ESCC to your event or organization All six contestants in the contact Jennifer Olsen at

Seniors age 60 and older encouraged to join fun at Elba Senior Citizens Center

join the center for lots of fun, activities and more.

Along with nutritious meals 5-days-per-week, the director works with seniors to help them apply for several programs they may qualify for, including: Farmers Market Vouchers, HRDC- Energy Assistance, Food Assistance, Medicaid Waiver, Senior Rx Program, Medicare Savings Program, etc. A senior must be an active participant at the Elba Senior center for the director to sign up for programs that they may qualify

for to receive assistance. To become a center participant, attendance is not cooperative education program to her medical program based on income. This is a social place to come have

The Elba Senior Citizens fun and find or make new Center encourages all sen- friends. If interested in joiniors – age 60 and older – to ing the center, stop by or call 897-3019. The Elba Senior Citizens Center is located at 304 N. Factory Ave., Elba [across from the Elba Police Dept]. Also, seniors age 60 and older that cannot come to the center may qualify for meals being brought to home. Contact Donna Falls, Elba Senior Center director, for more in-



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Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock presented Barbara Tillis with a Certificate of Retirement plaque last Thursday, Nov. 21, during a reception held in Tillis' honor at the library. Tillis will officially retire from her position as Citizens Center is located at circulation clerk at the library on Dec. 3, 2019. Many of her family members were present for the celebration.

Christmas comes to Elba on Monday, Dec. 2, with parade and tree lighting

Elba invites residents and visitors to kick off the holiday season in Downtown Elba at the Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting Celebration.

Santa will make a visit Parade on Monday, Dec. 2, the Elba Chamber of Comat 6 p.m. "Alabama's Bicen-merce by phone at (334)

streets as over 100 parade entries march down and around Court Square. There will be bleachers with free seating in front of the Courthouse across from the viewing/announcer stage.

An additional highlight of this free event is the lighting of the City's 25-foot Christmas tree. Attendees will

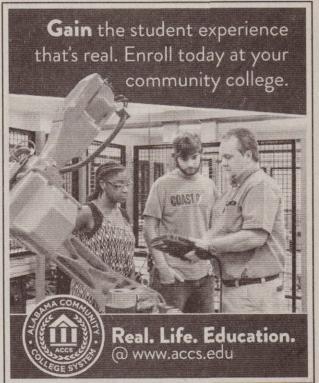
Entertainment will include the EHS Tiger Band playing holiday favorites, holiday performances and free candy.

For more information regarding the Elba Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting or tennial" is this year's theme. 897-3125, email at elba-The parade will take place chamber@troycable.net or in Downtown Elba. Fam- stop by the Chamber Histoilies and friends will line the ric Stinson House at 329 Putnam Street, Elba.

Come join the fun of Elba's Christmas Parade!

Lifestyles News is Due on Monday







ELBA HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR KELCEY PARKS

(center) led the Pledge of Allegiance to start the Elba City

Schools Board of Education meeting held Thursday

evening, Nov. 21, at the central office on the Elba City

Schools campus. Parks is pictured with Elba High

principal Wynn Grimes (left) and Elba City Schools

superintendent Chris Moseley (right). With the current

school year, Moseley began asking students to attend the

monthly board meetings and led the Pledge, and this duty

is rotated each month between the high school and

elementary school. Prior to Parks leading last week's

Pledge, the superintedent named some of her activities at

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/s/ Amy L. Reeves Amy Reeves, Circuit Clerk Coffee County, Alabama 11/14,21,28&12/5-chg.

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mannered approach to life believe we have the talent young athletes about trusting might not be a fit for some- here at Elba to continue to God and living the right one to be a head football

it in a different way. He said he has gotten to where he is today not by being anything living the dream during this Starting at \$49/month! Call but himself and trusting in time he has filled in as the next head football coach or has lived and breathed Elba students grow up, and he can not - though he is hoping he basically his entire life. He say without a doubt that Elba GET A-RATED Dental In- will be the one chosen for said when he graduated from is filled with good young per day!. Save 25% on En- "Some people think Chris- gree, he was older starting to continue to help build rollment Now! No Waiting tians are weak, but that just out than many, and he never their character, serving as the Periods. 200k+ Providers is not true," Johnson said. dreamed of getting the op- head football coach. Nationwide. Everyone is "Christians can be bold too. portunity to come and teach Accepted! Call 1-205-666- I am as passionate as any- and coach at his own alma like more than to serve this 8226 (M-F, 8am-4pm Cen- body when a game is being mater. After only a short town, school, and my family played between the lines. I've lived it [football at

> Johnson, an alumnus of grew up playing football at an Elba Tiger, has coached many others, including his own sons, and loves Elba just about as much as any x's and o's, but I know foot-

cepted through Monday.

"I may not know all the to be part of creating cham-this time, when the school pions on and off the field will interview for the posi-

Zion Chapel Bass Team fishes Lake Eufaula on Wiregrass Student Angler Trail



Zion Chapel Bass Team Members include (Back Row L- they salute Headland Bass

with their competitors, en- tournaments just hoping to countered their share of adverse weather conditions throughout the seasonheat, humidity, wind, rain, The young anglers, along they went into some of the

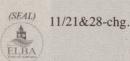
person can love it.

stay the course; however, they fished with determination and finished each one with a showing for their ef-

Trail, the team of Padgett/Young finished in 17th place, Devos/Lee finished in 18th place, and at Lay Lake. Dowdy/Jacobs finished 28th place for the season.

The overall team results posted for 2019 by Wiregrass Student Angler Trail show Zion Chapel in sixth place. They were preceded by Headland, first; Baldwin

ADOPT THE INTER- /s/Sally BaneSally Bane, NATIONAL BUILDING Elba City Clerk



IN THE MATTER OF RONALD KEITH CULVER, Deceased.

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NOTICE OF PUBLICA-TION

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the HILDA CULVER ALLEN on the 22nd day of November within (30) days of the last PROVED this 14th day of 2019 by the Honorable Judge Steven E. Blair, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are Jane Brunson, Mayor Pro- hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same I certify that this is a true will be barred.

Witness my hand this the dinance that was approved 22nd day of November by the City Council of the 2019. City of Elba at the regular /s/ Steven E Blair

scheduled Council Meeting Probate Judge of the 14th day of No- 11/28,12/5&12-pd.

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vember, 2019.

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build our program and be way." coach, but he said he looks at championship caliber year in and year out."

interim head coach for school year vacated by Har-Elba's program, and it means the world to him because he has watched many of Elba's Troy University with his depeople. He said his desire is time into his career, that call did come, and he has been at Elba ever since loving every

for several years as the head junior varsity football coach, and I have always wanted to see if I could have that same kind of success at the varsity level," Johnson said. "I want ball players," he said. "I truly while also teaching these tion.

Working as the physical education teacher at the ele-Johnson said he has been mentary school throughout his tenure at Elba before stepping into the spot this rison, Coach Johnson said he

"There is nothing I would than by being Elba's head football coach," Johnson

According to the job post-"I've had lots of success ing online for the Elba High physical teacher/head football coach and athletic director position, applications will be ac-Dec. 2nd. It is not known, at

County, second; Rehobeth,



R): Ethan Young, Trevor Lee, Avery Padgett; and (Front Row Team standout Aaron L-R) Kaleb Devos, Landon Jacobs, Kevin Dowdy, Jr.

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third; Harris County, fourth; and Mary Montgomery, fifth. The ZC community is extremely proud of these young anglers, and the anglers are appreciative of the support garnered from their families, community, and sponsors who have encouraged them along the way. While closing out their first year of competitive fishing on the Wiregrass Student Angler Trail, they

offer their congratulations to those teams who ranked ahead of them and to Anglers of the Year winners Marlin and Ingram from Cherry who signed a fishing scholarship with the University of Montevallo Wednesday, November 20. Cherry has been fishing with the Headland team for six years. The Zion Chapel Team is

Out of 94 teams in the not finished yet. They will Wiregrass Student Angler continue fishing three other trails. Their next tournament is scheduled Dec. 14 on the Airport Marine Trail

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COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY POULTRY AWARD...The 2019 Poultry Award was presented to Pete Medlock during the Coffee County Farm City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, in New Brockton. Pete and his wife, Eva, (pictured left) started their first-generation breeder farm in 2010 with two breeder houses on 18 acres of land. The land was originally owned and farmed by Eva's parents. In 2013, two more breeder houses were added. Pete and Eva said they feel "immensely honored to be selected for the award from among their peers." Also pictured is Cindy Kinney, C.C. Farm City chairperson.



COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION AWARD...The 2019 Outstanding Conservation award was presented to Glenn Rhoades during the Coffee County Farm City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, in New Brockton. Rhoades said he has dedicated his farming life to improving his skills and increasing production on his farm. Over the years, he has implemented numerous conservation practices including waterways, field borders, sediment control basins, and high residue conservation tillage. He also plants multi species cover crops each year to control erosion and increase organic matter. Rhoades and his wife, Peggy, (pictured left) said they are very appreciative of the award because it shows his peers recognize he is trying to do a good job in conserving the land. Also pictured is Cindy Kinney, C.C. Farm City chairperson.

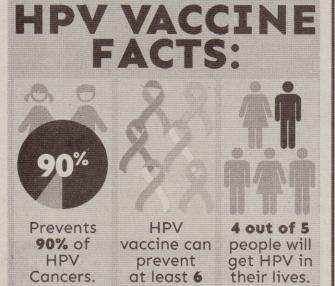


COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY ROW CROP AWARD...The 2019 Row Crop award was presented to Jonathan Sanders during the Coffee County Farm City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, in New Brockton. Jonathan Sanders has been farming full-time with his father in the Roeton Community of northeast Coffee County since 2013. He farms row crops including 450 acres of cotton, 300 acres of peanuts, 125 acres of corn as well as some small grains. Jonathan said it is a big honor to receive this award. He said he knows a lot of the farmers that have received the award prior to him, and he feels it an honor to be included with that field of farmers. Pictured above is Jonathan Sanders with his wife, Sara, and their daughter, Ivey, (left) along with Cindy Kinney, C.C. Farm City chairperson.



COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY OUTSTANDING FFA MEMBER AWARD...The 2019 Outstanding FFA Member award was presented to Trinity Bookout, a senior at Enterprise High School. Trinity said she enjoys the "family" that being a part of FFA gives students. She said it is a very supportive atmosphere. She has won many other awards in FFA. Pictured above with Trinity (left) is Coffee County Farm City chairperson Cindy Kinney (right).

COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY BEEF AWARD...The 2019 Beef Award award was presented to Gerald Holifield. He operates H&B Angus Farm consisting of 140 acres maintaining brood cattle herd. He sells AI bred heifers and seed stock bulls. He has been farming full time for 10 years.



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COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD...The 2019 Business of the Year Award was presented to Boswell Insurance Agency of Elba during the Coffee County Farm City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, in New Brockton. Gerald Boswell (left) has been in the insurance business 54 years, and he said this is the largest award his business had ever received. After several years working in the insurance industry, he started Boswell Insurance Agency in 1980, and he began selling crop insurance to local farmers. His business has grown tremendously over the years, and Boswell said he always tried to live up to his reputation as an honest and friendly agent. Pictured above with Gerald Boswell is Cindy Kinney, C.C. Farm City chairperson.



COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY FORESTRY AWARD...The 2019 Forestry award was presented to Jim Ellis during the Coffee County Farm City Banquet held Thursday night, Nov. 21, in New Brockton. Ellis' farm, Pinellis Farms is a 280-acre property divided into two sections in northeastern Coffee County. Jim and his wife, Becky, (pictured left) said they believe in the importance of being good stewards of the land and manage Pinellis Farms to these standards. The property is primarily loblolly and longleaf pine plantation along with approximately 70-acres of mixed hardwood bottomland of the Pea River. Pinellis Farms has been recognized also with TREASURE Forest, Forest Stewardship and Tree Farm certifications. Ellis said he and his wife are deeply gratified for the recognition and they appreciate the opportunity to be good stewards of their community. Pictured with Jim and Becky is Cindy Kinney, C.C. Farm City chairperson.

COFFEE COUNTY FARM CITY INDUSTRY AWARD...The 2019 Industry Award award was presented to Sessions Peanut Company Inc. This family-owned and operated peanut sheller and processor is headquartered in Enterprise. The company employs approximately 100 people with locations in Enterprise and Geneva, Alabama, Milton, Graceville, and Oldtown, Florida, and Donalsonville, Ga.

ELBA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 20	
FUND BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 2018	605,891.94
REVENUES:	
STATE REVENUES	4,566,833.65
FEDERAL REVENUES	1,227,863.84
LOCAL REVENUES	1,470,507.41
OTHER REVEUES	66,664.23
TOTAL REVENUES	7,331,869.13
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
FUND TRANSFERS IN	83,180.81
OTHER SOURCES	30,725.90
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	113,906.71
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	7,445,775.84
EXPENDITURES:	
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	3,448,413.96
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES	942,126.61
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	703,335.42
AUXILIARY SERVICES	794,515.18
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	604,395.28
CAPITAL OUTLAY	or said in the
DEBT SERVICES:	
PRINCIPAL	80,777.76
INTEREST	61,502.18
OTHER DEBT SERVICES	
OTHER EXPENDITURES	262,447.53
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,897,513.92
OTHER FUND USES:	
FUND TRANSFERS OUT	83,180.81
OTHER FUND USES	00.00
TOTAL OTHER FUND USES	83,180.81
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FUND USES	6,980,694.73
ENDING FUND BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2019	1,070,973.05
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE FINANCIAL STATEME AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELL SUPERINTENDENT, ELBA CHRIS MOSEYEY	IEF.
SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS THE 1st DAY OF N	OVEMBER 2019.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson finally decided what he wanted for Christmas, and while the list was short with a 'lot of surprises,' he made sure we knew the name of the video game he really wanted and even showed us a picture of what the cover of the game looked like. I am sire he will get the game, and a lot of surprises, and I am also sure the list will grow as the weeks go by.

For what it is worth....

*** The Brantley Bulldogs battled top-ranked Sweet Water for all four quarters Friday night in third round play- tham opened up a 10-4 lead off action in a heartbreaking 38-35 road loss. The Bulldogs with only seconds left in the took a late lead and appeared ready to pull off the huge period. upset, but couldn't hold off the home team and fell late on a field goal. The folks in Brantley told me before the season started that they were a year away from being a state title the second quarter after a contender. However, the players and coaches proved Friday pair of three-pointers by night they arrived a year early and next season will be a favorite to bring home another blue map.

*** The state high school football playoffs competed the third round last week and as always there were plenty of surprises and lots of action. In 1A, Lanett set up a showdown with Sweet Water in the semifinals with a 41-21 win over Isabella and Bama bound quarterback Kristian Story set a new state record for career touchdowns as he passed Bo Nix with six scores in the win, while in the 2A ranks Ariton lost to Leroy 35-24 and G.W. Long fell to Reeltown 41-22 to end the dreams of an all Dale County semifinals. Up in the 3A ranks, T.R. Miller advanced to the semifinals with a big 14-12 upset win over defending state champ Flomaton and will be on the road for the fourth straight week on Friday night, and in Class 4A Andalusia blanked American Christian 24-0 to reach the semifinals for the fourth straight year, and for the fourth straight year will go up against UMS-Wright in the semifinals. In 5A, Central of Clay County kept its back-to-back title hopes alive with a 43-15 win over Madison County; in 6A, Spanish Fort defeated Park Crossing 28-21 and after a 5-4 start and a fourth place finish in its region is now only one game away from playing for a state title; and in 7A, it will be a rematch as Central of Phenix City and Thompson both made it to Auburn with impressive wins.

*** Elba High has published its job opening for a new head football coach and it was good to see that the job opening included the requirement that the new coach have a de-slowly pull away and cargree in physical education. Too many times schools will hire ried a 37-32 lead into the a coach without a degree and just 'find him' a spot on staff fourth quarter after a late that draws a big salary and does nothing to better the edu- basket by Connor Kelley. cational value of the overall staff. There are too many people that spend thousands of dollars on tuition and books and make sacrifices to graduate from college to let someone the fourth quarter on a free without a degree come in and fill the position. It is also a throw by Patterson and big hire since the Tigers are coming off a rare four-loss sea- trailed only 39-36 after a son and are facing the possibility of moving back up into free throw by Hall, but the the 2A ranks. I urge the Elba City Schools officials to make Bulldogs converted only 5 every effort to get the right man for the job and not let local of 9 free throws over a fivepolitics or 'good old boy' thinking spoil the opportunity to minute span, and the Rebels improve the school and the football program.

*** Northside Methodist Academy, in Dothan, announced last week that it would petition the Alabama High School Athletic Association to become a member, beginning with the upcoming school year. The private school has been a member of the AISA for the past eight years and will supposedly be placed in 2A or 3A. School officials stated that the move would enable the school's athletic teams to cut down in travel and give its students more creditability in the community. This season there were only two other private schools within one hour of the school, while the change will place dozens of schools within that time frame. I am not a supporter of private schools competing against public schools, but I do see their point.

*** Bryant-Denny Stadium began a \$92.5 million renovation this week that will add high-end seats, suites and Lady Gamecocks outscored in opener 47-10 bunker-type seats to the stadium. The club seating and suites will be added to the south end of the stadium, while the field level seats, like those in Dallas and Atlanta, will be added in the endzone. Just in case you had an idea of maybe buying a suite, all ten have already been sold at a cost of \$5 the Lady Gamecocks. million each. However, the loge seats still have a few available for an annual donation of \$150,000 and a \$16,000 an- Kinston Bulldogs fall to Red Level 58-39 nual cost for tickets and expenses. The project is expected to be completed in nine months with as many as 600 workers on site every day.

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator dropped by a little early and was shaking his head over last week's 9-5 record. The local guesspert still has a solid season record of 319-79 on his weekly picks, and true to his word left this week's fearless forecast. Here goes....

Class 1A - Lanett 34 Sweet Water 20, Mars Hill 40 Pickens County 18

Class 2A – Reeltown 41 Leroy 31, Fyffe 28 Collinsville 0 Class 3A – Mobile Christian 30 T.R. Miller 14, Piedmont 24 Walter Wellborn 10

Class 4A - UMS-Wright 17 Andalusia 14, Jacksonville 27 Anniston 21

Class 5A - Pleasant Grove 35 Briarwood 31, Central Clay 28 Mortimer Jordan 21

Class 6A - Opelika 38 Spanish Fort 17, Pinson Valley 27

COFFEE COUNTY LAKE OPEN WEEKENDS ONLY DECEMBER & JANUARY



Lady Bulldogs win

Zion Chapel KO's Kinston 54-46

The Zion Chapel Rebels claimed their first win of the young season Friday night with an exciting 54-46 win over the Kinston Bulldogs, at the Rebel gym.

Neither team could fid its way to the basket early in the opening quarter as the score remained tied at 0-0 for over four minutes. However, the Rebels caught fire late and led by the three-point shooting of Billy Heap and Nate Gran-

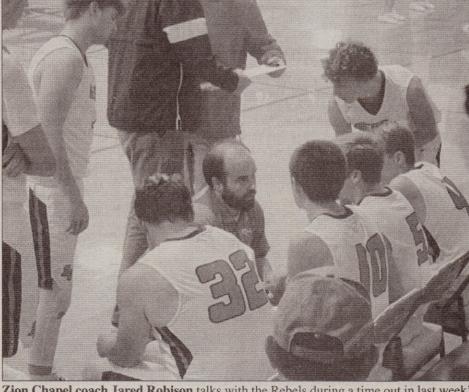
The Rebels lead grew to 19-8 with 6:12 remaining in Heap and a long threepointer by Brady Cobb, but a three-pointer by Kinston's Reece Hall with 5:50 left in the quarter woke up the Bulldogs as they went on a 13-0 run and grabbed their first lead of the night at 21-19 on a three-pointer by Owen Patterson.

The lead seesawed for the remainder of the quarter, and at the half the county rivals went into the dressing rooms tied at 25-25.

The scoring slowed in a ragged third quarter, but neither team was able to take command and when Logan Matthews scored from inside with 3:08 left in the quarter the score was still tied at 32-32.

A free throw by the Rebels Jacob Anderson out Zion Chapel back in front 33-32 with 2:24 remaining, and the Rebels began to

Kinston pulled within 37took advantage of the poor shooting from the charity line and stretched their lead to 49-41 with 53-seconds



Zion Chapel coach Jared Robison talks with the Rebels during a time out in last week's 54-46 win over Kinston. The win evened the Rebels early-season record at 1-1, while Kinston fell to 0-2 with the loss.

Bryce Watson.

by Reece Hall. However, the Rebels scored the final four points of the game and sealed the 54-46 win when Brady Cobb converted a before the horn.

Billy Heap poured in 16 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Brady Cobb and Collin Kelley scored 9 points, apiece. Cale Sumblin scored 18 points and Ayden Wallace added 9 to lead

Z.C. (54): Watson 7, Heap 16, Grantham 7, Cobb 9, Anderson 5, Kelley 9,

K'ton (46): Hawthorne 2,

record to 2-0 with an im- despite a late three-pointer scored 10 points to lead the pressive 46-16 win over the by Alanah Bunce trailed 27- Rebels, while Lunsford and

left on a driving lay up by Zion Chapel Lady Rebels.

Kinston grabbed an early Kinston got as close as 3-0 lead in the opening 50-46 with 26 ticks left on quarter on a three-pointer the clock on a three-pointer by Kelsi Cardwell and never looked back as Courtney Lunsford poured in 11 first quarter points and Addison Musgrove added four points as the Lady Bulldogs steal into an easy basket just roared out to a 20-0 lead after one quarter of play.

> Kinston's lead grew to 22-0 early in the second quarter on a basket by Bailey Maddox, while Zion Cardwell added 9 points on Chapel finally got on the a trio of three-pointers to scoreboard with 7:18 left in lead Kinston, while Janna the quarter when Janna Miles scored 11 points to Miles scored from inside lead Zion Chapel. and added a free throw to cut the lead to 22-3.

ond three-pointer of the half and Blair Wyrosdick scored Patterson 6, Hall 7, Sumblin on a put back to up the Lady 18, Wallace 9, Davis 2, Bulldogs lead to 27-3 with 4:27 remaining on the (JV) clock, and even though Kinston failed to score for the led all the way to post a The Kinston Lady Bull- remainder of the half, Zion solid 40-20 win over the dogs capped off a winning Chapel connected on only 2 Kinston Bulldogs, in junior week and improved their of 8 free throw chances, and varsity action. Chestnut 8 at intermission.

Kinston's Courtney to lead the Bulldogs. lead to 33-8 with 5:58 left in Adcock 8, Brown 2. the quarter, and the Lady Bulldogs never let up as Smith 7, Tew 1, Davis 5.

Lunsford and Cardwell sparked a 10-1 run to up the Kinston lead to 43-9 late in

Zion Chapel's Janna Miles scored five points in the fourth quarter and the Lady Rebels held Kinston to only one point in the final eight minutes. However, it was too little, too late, as Kinston claimed the big 46-

Lunsford Courtney scored 21 points and Kelsi

K'ton (46): Cardwell 9, Peters 2, Lunsford 21, Mus-Cardwell added her sec- grove 5, Maddox 2, Wyrosdick 2, Danford 2, Wilson 3. Z.C. (16): Miles 11, Bunce 3, McAllister 2.

> The Zion Chapel Rebels Smith both scored 7 points

Lunsford scored the first six Z.C. (40): Watson 4, points of the third quarter to Allen 4, Chestnut 10, Kirkpush the Lady Bulldogs land 6, Stuart 4, Padgett 2,

K'ton (20): Lunsford 7,

High School BASKETBALL BRIEFS

New Brockton drops opener to Wicksburg 62-46

The New Brockton Gamecocks trailed only 31-27 at the half, but couldn't keep up the pace in the final two quarters in a 62-46 loss to Wicksburg. Dillon Kelly scored 22 points and Dalton Shehee added 19 to lead the Gamecocks, while Zeke Herbig scored 15 points for Wicksburg.

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks trailed only 5-3 after one quarter and 12-5 at the half, but managed only five points in the second half and fell to Wicksburg 47-10, in their season opener. Lacy Sprinkle scored 4 points to lead

The Kinston Bulldogs tipped off their season with a 58-39 home court loss to the Red Level Tigers. Cale Sumblin scored 20 points to lead the Bulldogs.

High School BASKETBALL SCHEDULES

Monday, Dec. 2 Brantley at Highland Home Tuesday, Dec. 3 Pleasant Home at Kinston McKenzie at Zion Chapel Thursday, Dec. 5

New Brockton at Elba

Kinston at Samson



THE KINSTON TINY MITES FOOTBALL TEAM BROUGHT HOME THE RUNNER UP TROPHY FROM THE LEAGUE SUPER BOWL championships held Saturday, Nov. 23, in Florala. The Kinston team fought hard for all four quarters but lost 14-8 to Highland Home. The team members and coaches are pictured here with the runner up trophy for the 2019 season. (Photo by Linda Hodge, Editor)

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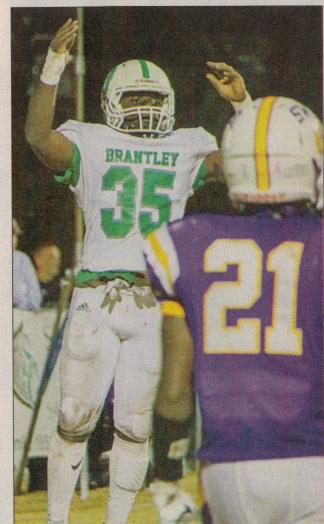
playoff loss to Sweet Water. Edwards pulled in 6 passes for 99 yards and 2 touchdowns in playoff loss to Sweet Water. Burnett pulled in 4 passes for 71 yards and 2 touchdowns in the road loss.



Brantley Bulldog Morrello Edwards (8) pulls in a touchdown pass in last week's 38-35 Brantley Bulldog Messiah Burnett (10) pulls in a touchdown pass in last week's 38-35

Brantley Bulldog Tucker Kilcrease (12) lofts a pass to a

receiver. Kilcrease completed 23 of 31 passes for 306 yards and 4 touchdowns in last week's 38-35 playoff loss to Sweet



Brantley Bulldog D'Andrea Owens (35) leaps for joy in the endzone after scoring on a 1-yard run. Owens rushed for 5 yards and one td and caught one pass for 18 yards in the playoff loss.



In 38-35 playoff loss

Sweet Water turns 'sour' for Bulldogs

Statistics by J.D. Adcock Photos by Cody Nichols

The Brantley Bulldogs saw their drive toward a state title hit a dead end Friday night with a heart breaking 38-35 road loss to the top-ranked Sweet Water forced to punt again on its Bulldogs. Sweet Water received the

51-yard kickoff return by defensive stand resulted in a Trace Luker drove 46 yards missed field goal attempt, in eight plays to get on the scoreboard first. A 15-yard pass completion from back in the game. Braiden Broussard to Jaden Lewis on fourth down and four kept the drive alive 68 yards to lead the Bulldogs early, while the game's first touchdown came on a 15yard run by Jaland Lewis-Horton. Michael Cole kicked the extra point, and extra point to pull Brantley with 8:05 remaining in the within 21-14 with 4:08 refirst quarter Sweet Water maining in the half. was on top 7-0.

Brantley was forced to ble recovery by D'Andrea Owens, and from there it took the Bulldogs only one play to cash in the turnover. The Brantley score came on a 17-yard pass from Tucker Kilcrease to Messiah Burnett, and Adam Carlisle booted the extra point to pull the Bulldogs even at 7-7 with 4:23 left in the quarter.

Sweet Water's ensuing possession started at the Brantley 13-yardline after a 34-yard kickoff return by Jaylin Dixon, and two plays later it was back in the lead. The score came on a 2-yard run by Lewis-Horton, and while the extra point try failed. Sweet Water was back on top 13-7 with 3:30 still left in the opening quarter.

Sweet Water got the ball right back at its own 15-yardline following a Brantley punt and wasted little time

Xavier Lucy broke loose and raced 85 yards for a touchdown. Jaylin Dixon ran in the two-point conversion as Sweet Water upped its lead to 21-7 with 1:34 remaining in the first quarter.

The Brantley offense was ensuing possession, but regained possession at the opening kickoff and after a Bulldog 24-yardline after a and this time the 'Dogs went 76 yards in seven plays to get

Tucker Kilcrease completed four of four passes for down the field, with the score coming on a 28-yard touchdown toss from Kilcrease to Burnett. Carlisle added the

Sweet Water drove into Brantley territory on its ensupunt on its initial offensive ing possession, but the Bullpossession at the Sweet the challenge and turned quarter. Water 17-yardline on a fumback the scoring threat as Brantley went in at the half trailing 21-14.

Brantley received the second half kickoff and went 66 yards in only six plays to get back into the endzone. A 31yard pass from Tucker Kilcrease to Daquan Pittman was a key play in the scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 1-yard run by D'Andrea Owens. The extra point try failed, but with 10:26 left in the third quarter the Bulldogs had chopped Sweet Water's lead down to

The defenses took over following the Brantley score as the game's next five offensive series failed to pro-

The Bulldogs began their final series of the quarter at the Sweet Water 37-yardline following a punt and this time needed only one play to adding to its lead as on its grab the lead! The Bulldog



Brantley Bulldog D'Andrea Owens (35) drags down a Sweet Water runner for a short gain in last week's 38-35

touchdown toss from Tucker straight running plays to Kilcrease to Morrell Edto Burnett for the two-point conversion as Brantley moved on top 28-21 with series, but quickly regained dog defense was again up to 1:38 remaining in the

> Sweet Water began its ensuing series at its own 44yardline and marched 56 yards in nine plays to catch the Bulldogs. Jaylin Dixon Brantley with an on-sides rushed for 50 yards on six carries to lead Sweet Water down the field, while Braiden Broussard scored the touchdown on a 1-yard sneak. Cole's extra point was true, and with 8:22 left in the fourth quarter the score was

covered the 80 yards to the endzone in 10 plays to regain the lead. Tucker Kilcrease completed 6 of 7 passes for 85 yards as the Bulldogs overcame two penalties and scored on a 7-yard

back on top 35-28. Sweet Water began its enmarched 45 yards in seven Sweet Water.

reach the endzone. Jaland wards, and Kilcrease passed Lewis-Horton gained 28 yards on four carries to help lead Sweet Water down the field, while Jaylin Dixon got the score on a 2-yard run. Cole added the extra point as Sweet Water pulled even at 35-35 with 2:42 remaining on the clock.

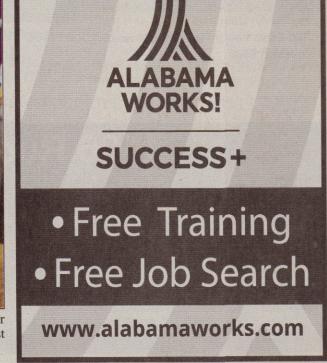
Sweet Water surprised kick on the ensuing kickoff to get the ball back at the Brantley 34-yardline, and Sweet Water never gave the ball back as it used its powerful running attack to reach the Bulldog 2-yardline. Sweet Water called a time out with only 4-seconds left Brantley put the ball in on the clock, and Michael play at its own 20-yardline Cole kicked a 20-yard field after the ensuing kickoff and goal on the game's final play as Sweet Water survived and escaped with the 38-35 win.

Tucker Kilcrease completed 23 of 31 for 306 yards and 4 touchdowns to spark the Brantley offense, with Morrell Edwards pulling in scoring strike from Kilcrease 6 catches for 99 yards and 2 to Morrell Edwards. Car- td's, Messiah Burnett pulling lisle's extra point try was in 4 catches for 71 yards and true, and with 5:50 left on 2 td's, and Kenuwyn Dixon the clock the Bulldogs were pulling in 8 catches for 69 yards.

Jaland Lewis-Horton suing possession at the rushed for 137 yards and 2 Brantley 45-yardline follow- td's on 20 carries and Xaing a 20-yard kickoff return vier Lucy added 108 yards by Willie Lewis, and on 7 carries and 1 td to lead



Brantley Bulldog Kenuwyn Dixon (3) heads upfield after pulling in a pass. Dixon caught 8 passes for 69 yards in last week's 38-35 playoff loss to Sweet Water.





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